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### Modern System Update

On 25 May, the Project Office-Civilian Personnel Regionalization (PO-CPR) provided an update on where we stand on the Modern System. **John Brown**, Deputy Chief, Regionalization Project Management Office (RPMO) reported:

□ Army has conditional approval of Milestone III. Conditions and status:

1) All components (i.e., Army) must sign a MOU. Army received draft MOU from DoD Civilian Personnel Management Service (CPMS) and provided comments back to OSD this morning.

2) A schedule must be set. Army is waiting for a proposed schedule from DoD CPMS. They have until 19 June to set a deployment schedule. This date is one month from the conditional approval of Milestone III.

□ Another item of interest is that the PO-CPR is planning an IM conference for July 24-26, contingent upon the deployment schedule of the Modern System.

□ Here is the latest **DRAFT** of the modern system deployment schedule, as of 23 May 00:

Region	Date	Revised Dates
Southeast	<del>4 August 00</del>	15 September 00*
North Central	<del>18 August 00</del>	4 August 00*
South Central	<del>1 September 00</del>	18 August 00*
Southwest	<del>15 September 00</del>	1 September 00*
West	<del>29 September 00</del>	10 November 00*
Northeast	<del>10 November 00</del>	29 September 00*
Army National Capitol	<del>24 November 00</del>	13 October 00*
Korea	<del>19 January 01</del>	2 March 01*
Europe	<del>16 February 01</del>	2 March 01*

\*NOTE: On 31 May, HQDA revised their draft deployment schedule as shown. This table has been amended to show the changes after initial publication of this UPDATE.

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## Lifecycle Replacement (LCR) Computers

As many of you are aware, the new Graphical User Interface (GUI) version of CEFMS requires certain minimum specifications, some of which may exceed equipment currently being used in CPACs. While LCR computers will meet and exceed the new CEFMS requirements, unfortunately, LCR is a long way off for many of us. This article presents some options for CPACs to consider if they find themselves in a "battle of the upgrades."

Here are the new minimum CEFMS GUI -version computer configurations:

- ❑ **Hardware requirements:** Pentium, 133 MHz, 32MB RAM and 200MB of free space on your hard drive.
- ❑ **Software requirements:** Windows 95, 98 or NT 4.0 (Windows 2000 is not an approved CEFMS operating system) and Microsoft Internet Explorer version 5.0 or Netscape version 4.5.

Here are some "givens:"

- CEFMS is a Corps system and supports both military and civil missions. Army does not provide funding for any CEFMS enhancements or operating costs. Using CEFMS is therefore a USACE issue, not Army's.
- Local activities are responsible for providing equipment capable of running CEFMS.
- Army's machines were purchased with OPA dollars, and will be (MUST be) replaced with similarly funded equipment.
- Army is replacing their machines based on authorized numbers of CPAC staff (if your CPAC is authorized 3 staff for FY01, Army will only provide 3 machines for modern system use).

Here are some options you might consider if you anticipate a problem:

- If you are authorized 3 CPAC staff, but have 1 more on board, you may provide that 4th person equipment purchased with any color



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money, and connect it to Modern. That machine should, of course, be CEFMS-capable.

--You cannot provide any authorized (based on the servicing ratio) CPAC staff with CEFMS-capable computers unless they are purchased with OPA dollars. Since the Corps has very little (if any) OPA funding, we must provide OMA funding to Army to exchange for OPA funds. If you have OMA funds you wish to spend for this purpose, we need to do this immediately. Please notify CEHR-D (Paula Law).

--You can substitute current Army computers with any legitimately excessed machines, regardless of their original funding source. Excess equipment may provide you the best/no cost alternative here, if you can find excessed machines (from any DOD source) that are CEFMS-capable.

--Pending lifecycle replacement, you could purchase, borrow or obtain a CEFMS-capable computer as a shared CEFMS workstation for use by the CPAC staff.

--You could provide one of your "over-strength" (technically unauthorized CPAC staff) with a CEFMS capable computer that others could share for CEFMS tasks.

Here is the current LCR schedule **(NOTE: this is *NOT* the same thing as the MDCPDS schedule!)**:

Fiscal Year	Region
2000	Southeast + National Capitol
2001	Southwest + Northeast
2002	Pacific + Europe
2003	Korea + North Central
2004	South Central + West

More to come...

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